

COUNTRY East Germany SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO.

TOPIC Staaken Airfield

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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Staaken airfield between 4 and 23 June 1953:

4 June. There was no air activity between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. It rained intermittently.

5 June. Between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. 2 Li-2s made local flights of 5 to 8 minutes.

6 June. There was no air activity between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. although the weather was cloudless.

7 June. No flying was observed between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. About 11 a.m., while passing by the field, one plane, probably an Il-12, was seen at the field.

8 June. At 11:20 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., one Li-2 each took off. Between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m., 2 Yak-14s and 1 Li-2 were parked outside the hangars.

9 June. Between 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., no air activity was observed except for the take-off of a Li-2 at about 11:20 a.m. There was a closed ceiling.

10 June. Between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., Li-2s made local flights. There was a closed ceiling and it rained intermittently.

12 June. Between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., 2 Li-2s made local 15-minute flights. There was a closed ceiling. Between 7:30 p.m. and 9:10 p.m., two Li-2s made again local flights. At 7 p.m. 2 Li-2s and 2 Il-10s were seen at the field.

13 June. Between 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m., 1 Li-2 practiced local flying. There was a closed ceiling at an altitude of 800 meters.

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15 June. No flying was observed between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. There was a closed ceiling.

16 June. Between 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., 2 Li-2s made local flights. The degree of cloudiness was increasing.

17 June. Between 8:30 a.m. and 10:20 a.m., one Li-2 was conducting local flights of about 8 minutes. In the afternoon, some Li-2s took off to the west and then headed toward Berlin. The planes did not return until 10 p.m.

18 June. At 10:25 a.m. and 1:25 p.m., the take-off and, at 5:45 p.m., the landing of 1 Li-2 each were observed.

19 June. There was no air activity between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. except for the take-off by 1 Li-2 at 10:30 a.m.

20 June. No air activity was observed between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.

21 June. No noise of flying aircraft was heard between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m.

22 June. There was no air activity between 8:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. except for the landing of 1 Li-2 at 7:45 p.m. The weather was favorable.

23 June. There was no flying between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. At 1 p.m., 2 Li-2s and 1 Yak-14 were parked in front of the hangars.

2. On 20 June, source determined that double sentries were posted at the radio installation and along the runway. On 23 June, an additional three soldiers armed with submachine guns patrolled the fence of the field along Hamburger Chaussee.

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4. At 4 p.m. on 19 June, no air activity was observed at the field. One Li-2 was parked in front of the westernmost hangar. Sentries patrolled the field.

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Comment. Elements of a transport regiment equipped with Li-2s are believed to be stationed at Staaken airfield. The present report does not indicate a change in this occupation.

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